# EXHIBIT A

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COUNTY OF KINGS	
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK	

NAUM ZISKIN,

Plaintiff.

Plaintiff designates Kings County as the place of trial

Index No.

The basis of venue is: Plaintiff's residence

- against -

**SUMMONS** 

J.P. MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,

Plaintiff resides at 35 Seacoast Terr., Apt. 7U Brooklyn, New York 11235 County of Kings

	Defendant.	ζ
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#### To The Above Named Defendant:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon Plaintiff's Attorney, at their address stated below, an answer to the attached complaint. If this summons was personally served upon you in the State of New York, the answer must be served within twenty (20) days after such service of the summons, excluding the date of service. If the summons was not personally delivered to you within the State of New York, the answer must be served within thirty (30) days after service of the summons is complete as provided by law. If you do not serve an answer to the attached complaint within the applicable time limitation stated above, a judgment may be entered against you, by default, for the relief demanded in the complaint. The action will be heard in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, in and for the County of Kings. This action is brought in the County of Kings because it is the County of the Plaintiff's residence, which is 35 Seacoast Terr., Apt. 7U, Brooklyn, New York 11235.

DATED: Brooklyn, New York April 2, 2018

By: Maksim Lexv

LAW OFFICES OF RICHARD BATELMAN

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Defendant's Address:
J.P. MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.
Legal Department
270 Park Avenue, 39th Floor
New York, New York 10017

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF KINGS	J
NAUM ZISKIN,	Index No.
Plaintiff,	
- against -	VERIFIED
J.P. MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,	COMPLAINT
DefendantX	

The Plaintiff, NAUM ZISKIN, by and through his attorneys, LAW OFFICES OF RICHARD BATELMAN, complaining of the Defendant, J.P. MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. hereby alleges the following:

- 1. Plaintiff resides in the County of Kings, State of New York, and resided at the same address at all times relevant to this action.
- 2. Defendant J.P. MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. ("Chase Bank") upon information and belief, is a corporation duly authorized to conduct business in the State of New York with offices located at 270 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10017.

### FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 3. On or about July 26, 2016, Plaintiff received a check in the amount of \$140,000.00. The check was drawn from his attorney's IOLA trust account and represented Plaintiff's share of the proceeds of the sale of his former marital residence. A true copy of the check is annexed hereto as **Exhibit "A"**.
- 4. Before Plaintiff had an opportunity to make a deposit, upon information and belief, the check was obtained by Igor Kletselman ("Kletselman"), Plaintiff's business partner, without Plaintiff's authorization and consent.
- 5. Upon information and belief, Kletselman, or persons acting in concert with Kletselman,

forged Plaintiff's endorsement on the check and presented it for payment to defendant Chase Bank.

- 6. As a direct result of Chase Bank's failure to exercise any reasonable diligence in confirming the authenticity of the endorsement, Chase Bank honored the check and made payment thereon causing Plaintiff to suffer losses.
- 7. Plaintiff's endorsement on the check was unauthorized and made without his knowledge and consent. In fact, Plaintiff was unaware that the check had been stolen from him until after it was improperly honored by Chase Bank.

# AS AND FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

- 8. Plaintiff repeats, realleges and reiterates each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs "1" through "7" as if fully set forth herein.
- 9. Chase Bank, with wanton disregard and lack of due care, aided Kletselman to deposit and/or cash the check in the sum of \$140,000.00.
- 10. The actions of Chase Bank were done without proper verifications and without the proper protocols taken by banks when negotiating checks for the amounts at issue here. All of the actions and omissions of Chase Bank resulted in the loss of funds and monies deposited into the bank account at Chase Bank through the careless, reckless and negligent actions of Chase Bank and through its wanton disregard of proper actions taken by banks in verifying truthful actions of its depositors.
- 11. Chase Bank failed to act in a reasonably commercial manner in cashing and/or depositing the check for Kletselman, and failed to prevent the misappropriation of funds by Kletselman, all in violation of the Uniform Commercial Code and New York Laws dealing with forged instruments and false checks.
- 12. Plaintiff demanded that Chase Bank provide documentation concerning payment for the check in question. Chase Bank refused and still refuses to provide the requested documentation

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and refuses to reimburse Plaintiff for his losses although caused by Chase Bank to the severe

detriment of Plaintiff.

AS AND FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

13. Plaintiff repeats, realleges and reiterates each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs

"1" through "12" as if fully set forth herein.

14. At all relevant times, Chase Bank had a duty to confirm the authenticity of endorsements

on checks that it cashed and accepted for payment.

15. Chase Bank breached this duty of care by accepting and cashing the check in question

which, upon information and belief, was presented by Kletselman or a co-conspirator containing

an endorsement without authorization from Plaintiff.

16. Consequently, Plaintiff suffered significant damages and loss due to Chase Bank's breach

of its duty in the amount of \$140,000.00.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff NAUM ZISKIN hereby demands judgment on the First and

Second Causes of Action against the Defendant J.P. MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. awarding

monetary damages in the sum of \$140,000.00, together with costs and disbursements of this action,

including attorneys' fees, and for such other and further relief as to this Court may deem just and

proper.

DATED: Brooklyn, New York

April 2, 2018

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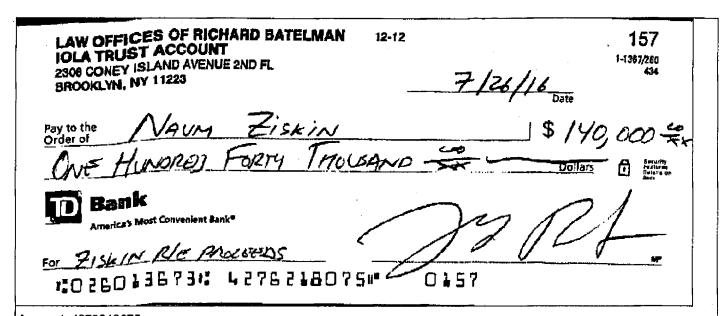
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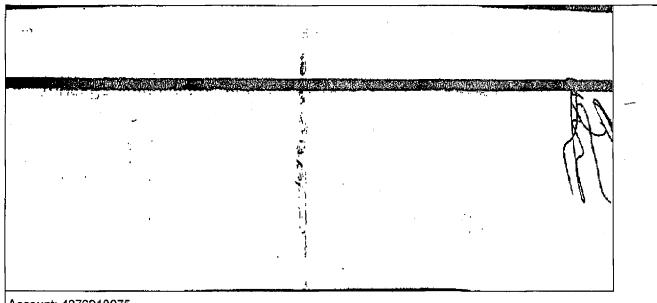
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## **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF NEW YORK)

)ss.:

COUNTY OF KINGS

I NAUM ZISKIN, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am the PLAINTIFF in the within action; I have read the foregoing <u>VERIFIED</u> <u>COMPLAINT</u> and know the contents thereof; the same is true to my own knowledge, except as to the matters therein stated to be alleged on information and belief, and as to those matters I believe it to be true.

Subscribed and Sworn to before

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NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF NEW YORK

Notary Rubhasa6217042

Qualified in Kings County

My Commission Expires February 01, 2014

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